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Docket No. 249.0002 0101

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Dominic E. COSGROVE ) Group Art Unit: 1641  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed 24 January 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."